The City of Wichita has a 24" sanitary sewer main located in Hydraulic, north of the K-96 off ramp. Sewer Maintenance staff discovered that conduit had been bored through the bottom of the sewer main. Upon further investigation, we found that the conduit was installed by Wichita Electric for the Kansas Dept. of Transportation (KDOT). Staff has been working with them for a solution on how to remove the conduit from the sewer main so that a repair may be made to the main. KDOT is now on a deadline for activating their fiber optics which does not allow time for the formal bid process.

An outside contractor will need to be hired due to the size of the main and the complexity of coordinating with Wichita Electric for the conduit removal. Staff contacted six contractors and only received one bid from Nowak Construction for $65,225.00.

Funding will be from CIP project S-4, Collection Mains Replacements. Inspection of the project will be coordinated with Public Works Engineering.

I request that you declare this a Public Exigency, which is defined under City Code, Section 2.64.020(c), as an instance when public exigency will not permit the delay incident to advertising, as determined and approved by the City Manager. An approval line has been provided if you concur with this request. A subsequent agenda item will be prepared to obtain Council acknowledgement of this declaration action.